

EQUITABLE TAXATION.

Meeting of the Representatives of Boards of Supervisors to Discuss Revenue Raising.

In response to the call issued some time ago by the territorial board of equalization for a meeting to be held in Phoenix on the 25th of January of the members of the boards of supervisors and the assessors of the various counties for a conference relative to the equitable taxation of property, a gathering of prominent men assembled in the office of the board of control in the Fleming building on that date. Representatives from every county in the territory were present. The roll showed the following:

Dr. G. W. Vickers, territorial auditor and chairman of the territorial board of equalization.

John A. Black, member of the board of control for the First district.

R. H. Burmister, member of the board for the Second district.

Captain E. A. Cutter, member of the board for the Fourth district.

Maricopa county—J. T. Priest, J. R. Norton, and Joseph Monihon, supervisors; Frank A. Luke, assessor.

Pima county—M. G. Saminiego, supervisor; Henry Levin, assessor.

Pinal county—John Miller, supervisor.

Mohave county—W. E. Frost, supervisor.

Coconino county—E. S. Clark, district attorney.

Yavapai county—H. H. Carter, representative appointed by the board of supervisors.

Yuma county—Mel Greenleaf, sheriff and ex-officio tax collector, and Arthur Modesto, representative.

Gila county—D. R. Williams, assessor.

Navajo county—J. H. Frisby, clerk of the board of supervisors.

Graham county—F. W. Hayes, supervisor.

Cochise county—W. A. Harwood, assessor.

The relative values of land and live stock were discussed. The methods of taxation and the collection of taxes caused considerable discussion. The meeting was an interesting one, and it will probably result in the changing of the revenue law during the next session of the legislature.

The Supreme Court.

In the supreme court the following order was made in the case of J. F. Daggs et al. vs. J. H. Hoskins, Jr., et al.:

"It appearing to the court that the briefs of the appellants filed in this case on the date on January 24 contain scurrilous, offensive and disrespectful references to the trial judge of the court below, and that the use of certain language therein contained is improper and unwarranted for the purposes of a brief, it is now ordered by the court that the copies of the appellants' brief referred to be and are hereby stricken from the files."

George W. Henry vs. Joseph Mayer et al.; on motion of appellee's attorney hearing was reset for January 31.

C. S. McCormick vs. Arizona Central Bank; argued and submitted.

Babbitt Bros. vs. Mandell Bros.; argued and submitted.—Phoenix Herald.

A Sensible Board.

Mohave county's board of supervisors was asked to endorse Mark Smith's home rule bill at their last meeting. After discussing the subject, the members concluded that a home rule bill has as much show of becoming a law as Mark Hanna has of going to heaven, and that it would be a waste of time, ink and paper to petition congress to pass the bill now before that body.—Kingman Miner.